

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections of the application are respectfully requested in view of the amendments and remarks herewith, which place the application into condition for allowance. The present amendment is being made to facilitate prosecution of the application.

I. STATUS OF THE CLAIMS AND FORMAL MATTERS

Claims 1 and 17, which are pending in this application, are hereby amended. Claims 1 and 17 are independent. Claims 2-16 and 18-45 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer of subject matter. It is submitted that these claims, as originally presented, were in full compliance with the requirements 35 U.S.C. §112. No new matter has been introduced by this amendment. Support for this amendment is provided throughout the Specification. Changes to claims are not made for the purpose of patentability within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. §101, §102, §103, or §112. Rather, these changes are made simply for clarification and to round out the scope of protection to which the Applicant is entitled.

II. REJECTIONS UNDER 35 U.S.C. §102 and §112

Claims 13-16 and 29-32 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, as allegedly failing to comply with the enablement requirement.

Claims 2-12, 18-28, and 33-45 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as allegedly anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,366,296 to Boreczky, et al.

Claims 2-16 and 18-45 have been canceled herein, obviating the above rejections.

III. REJECTIONS UNDER 35 U.S.C. §103(a)

Claims 1 and 17 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as allegedly unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,366,296 to Boreczky, et al.

Claim 1, as amended, recites, *inter alia*:

“...displaying, in the first video image transition display area, a video image transition graph showing the transition of the video image recording position of the feature video image...

...wherein the video image transition graph is a function of a semantic evaluation...”

As understood by Applicant, U.S. Patent No. 6,366,296 to Boreczky, et al.

(hereinafter merely “Boreczky”) relates to browsing a media file where the user selects a feature in the media file and is then provided with information regarding the existence of that feature in the media file. Based on the information a user can identify playback portions of the media file.

Applicant submits that nothing has been found in Boreczky that would disclose or suggest the above-identified features of claim 1.

Specifically, Applicant submits that Boreczky fails to disclose or suggest displaying, in the first video image transition display area, a video image transition graph showing the transition of the video image recording position of the feature video image wherein the video image transition graph is a function of a semantic evaluation, as disclosed in claim 1.


CONCLUSION

In the event the Examiner disagrees with any of statements appearing above with respect to the disclosure in the cited reference, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner specifically indicate those portions of the reference providing the basis for a contrary view.

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In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is believed that all of the claims in this application are patentable and Applicant respectfully requests early passage to issue of the present application.

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